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Museums & Cultural Affairs

The City of El Paso Public Arts Committee (PAC)
Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 3:30 PM
MCAD Board Room

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 3:34 pm.

2. Roll Call: Members Present: Melissa Barba, Kim Bauer, Jeannine Kennedy, Gregory McNicol, Marina Monsisvais, Daniela Quesada Rivas and Stefanie Block Uribarri.

Members Absent: Robert González and Jane Thomas.

Others Present: Pat Dalbin, Misty Castaneda, Erik Gomez, Aidee Guevara.

3. Public Comment: None.

- **4. Approval of Minutes.** Chair asked for approval of the Minutes as submitted for the last meeting on November 18, 2014. Jeannine Kennedy motioned to approve; Gregory McNicol seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and Action on the Public Art Design Concept by Roger Stoller for the El Paso Zoo QOL Project. Pat Dalbin began by asking members to introduce themselves to Roger Stoller, who joined via conference call, and introductions were made around the table. Roger began his presentation for the sky sculpture concept at the El Paso Zoo via a PowerPoint slideshow. He explained that the sky sculpture would sit in front of the front doors of the tent that will be built. There will be another small sculpture near the fire pit, which is yet to be designed. He briefly explained the fire pit concept and noted that once the engineering of the main piece was closer to completion, there would be a better idea of what was left in the budget for the fire pit. The theme of the main piece is clouds, dreams and animals and the patterns inside will be imagery of animals. Roger has gotten feedback from zoo personnel about which animals they'd like to see worked in to the piece because a big part of the piece is shadows that will be created when the sun shines through it, projecting the shadows onto the pavement below. Roger opened the floor for questions and general discussion followed. Chair requested a motion to approve the artist's design. Gregory McNicol moved to approve; Melissa Barba seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously.
- **6. Public Art Status Report.** Pat Dalbin briefly reviewed the status of current public art projects, mentioning that all the approvals for Donald Lipski's project over the 1966 roundabout have been received and construction will start in a couple of weeks, with hopes to be complete by April. The Sun Metro Ops project on Montana has been completed and there will be a reception as soon as landscaping is complete, and the two projects in the connectivity area will be complete by mid-February. Pat opened the floor for questions and general discussion followed.
- **7. Adjournment.** Chair requested a motion to adjourn. Gregory McNicol so moved; Melissa Barba seconded; all members voted in favor, none opposed, and motion passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 4:01 pm. Next meeting scheduled for February 10, 2015.

Approved for content by: Patricia Dalbin, Public Art Program Coordinator

Respectfully submitted by: Misty Castaneda, Administrative Assistant